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1. DEPUTY FONMIN MAS'UD ON JULY 31 PRESENTED CHARGE WITH KINGS REPLY TO SECRETARY'S LETTER (REF A). KING'S REPLY NOT DATED; EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS: HIS EXCELLENCY DR. HENRY KISSINGER, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

I WAS MOST PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOUR EXCELLENCY'S TELEGRAM CONCERNING OUR POSITION TOWARDS THE CASE OF COLONEL ERNEST MORGAN; I WISH FURTHERMORE TO EXPRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FORD AND TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND TO THE FAMILY OF COLONEL MORGAN MY APPRECIATION AND ESTEEM FOR THE GRATITUDE AND THE FINE SENTIMENTS YOU

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EXPRESSED. IN THIS REGARD I CAN AFFIRM TO YOUR EXCEL-

LENCY THAT THE ROLE WHICH THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA
PERFORMED RESULTS FROM ITS UNREMITTING DETERMINATION
TO BRING ABOUT AN ATMOSPHERE OF FRIENDSHIP, AMITY,
AND CONCORD BETWEEN PEOPLES, AND FROM ITS DESIRE TO
BRING ABOUT A MEETING OF MINDS, SO THAT A PEACE--BASED
UPON RIGHT AND JUSTICE--MAY BE REALIZED IN THE REGION
OF THE MIDDLE EAST.

WITH MY BEST WISHES TO PRESIDENT FORD AND YOUR
EXCELLENCY, AND THE FAMILY OF COLONEL MORGAN,
MAY ABUNDANT HEALTH AND ABIDING HAPPINESS AND GRACE BE
YOURS; MAY GOD KEEP YOU AND PRESERVE YOU, KHALID BIN
ABD AL-AZIZ.
HORAN UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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